

Main Street Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2022 - 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Veronica Henderson, Kimberly Lunn, Michelle Thrasher, Glendora Dvine, Leon Jackson, Mary-Ellen English Kiszka, Christina Torres.

Staff and Visitors in Attendance: Delanie Walker, Kennedy Lewis, Chandra Johnson, Kc Krzic, Andrew Simpson

On Thursday, December 1, 2022, the Hampton Main Street Advisory Board (MSAB) held its monthly meeting in person at the Depot, and via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Veronica Henderson, at 6:37 p.m.

New Business

New board appointments.

- a. Ms. Delanie Walker. Representing Hampton Youth Council.
- b. Ms. Chandra Johnson. Owner of Reggae Vybz.

Kc stated that the new board appointments would be ratified by city council on Tuesday December 13.

Christmas Parade.

The photo booth will be in the depot park. Visit Henry will set up their tent outside the depot also. First Baptist Church is doing hot chocolate. The train from the yellow pollen festival going around for the kids. Kc will get with Kim about the small train being in the parade. Leon will bring wristbands and hats. Kc has a table to be next to the train stop. Public Events will start at 2pm. Camp Brewing will have the Papa's Hot Dogs food truck. Andrew will be posting all the restaurant options on Facebook to promote restaurants that are already here. There will also be carolers after the parade and shops will remain open late. Kim is bringing Strickland farms 1937 john deer tractor. Kim spoke with the Assistant Director from Hampton Middle School and Victoria Sweat from Hampton Youth Club. There may be a vintage mustang convertible in the parade. Kennedy talked about Hampton Youth Council involvement. The Police Department will be on the radio at the DJ booth. The DJ will announce all participants in the parade. Kim asked about the big chairs for Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

Volunteers sign up.

Veronica will help with the parade. Kim, Christina and Leon will be at the Train Depot.



Organizational committee chair appointment. Glendora Dvne was nominated with a motion to appoint by Kim. Leon seconded. The vote was unanimous.

January 2023 date for committee chairs and Andrew to meet.

Glendora at Noon on Friday 13 January. Christina at 9:00 am on Wednesday 4 January. Leon at 3:00pm on Friday 6 January. Kim at 3:00pm on Thursday 5 January.

Main Street merchant meet and greet, Saturday February 11 at 10.00 am.

Kc talked about the connections the board has and to invite everyone to our meet and greet. There will be light refreshments and networking here at the depot. Andrew will coordinate flyers and send emails. Kc said that the board may be more comfortable to talk to business owners. Glendora said that the board needs to let the merchants know that Main Street is here. Mary Ellen made the motion and Glendora seconded it. The vote was unanimous.

Board member district assignments.

Andrew will email a map of the Main Street District. Kc talked about a phone tree. Certain people feel comfortable in different realms. Delanie is going to help communicate between Main Street and Youth organizations. Kwando will make a map of businesses. Kc was asked for a contact about badges. Kim mentioned Victory in McDonough.

Main Street Director's Report.

Lighting of the Holiday Tree November 24. Review. Everyone had a great time. Kc took photos. Michelle on behalf of Knockout Pastries was making the hot chocolate. What sort of feedback did Michelle get from the public? 200 people got hot chocolate. Michelle said the community loved it. The kids were very thrilled. First Baptist Church will be providing the hot chocolate. Everyone loved the singing and the carols at the tree lighting. Everyone was very patient. Michell will get things going a bit earlier and there were no negative reviews. Everyone was surprised with the turn out as it was Thanksgiving.

Shop Small Saturday November 26. Review. Kim asked for a schedule for next week to do more Facebook Live's. Glendora will also be there to help. Veronica needs to look at her schedule.

Cookies with Mrs. Claus December 3.

Kc said that the depot is decorated. Kc has arranged the icing and sprinkles. Volunteers to be there at 9am. Mary Ellen will volunteer for that. Cookies are coming from Publix. Tripod ring will be set up. For photos. We are not baking!!!!!



Christmas Parade December 10.

This was discussed earlier in the meeting.

Committee Reports Four Committees, One Vision! Hampton's Historic Business District is the heart of the community, where unique and exciting businesses flourish through Historic Preservation and the past has a future.

Organization Committee: Glendora Dvine was appointed today.

Promotions Committee: Kim Lunn. Rocking a little bit of the HBMA side too. She will have more to present at the next meeting. Met with Justin Sells the Graphic designer. Hampton is happening would be a great slogan. Glendora said it gives the thought that stuff is happening here. #itshappening. Promoting businesses and ladies' nights and look at Griffin with their 2nd Saturdays. He lives above the CBD store. Kim is going to get things for HBMA to use.

Design Committee: Leon Jackson. Chugging along. Developing it. Receptive to ideas. The design committee will work on a Hampton Clean Up Day. Kc mentioned a cleanup day initiative downtown. The board is tasked with working on the downtown area. Kim has contact with Hands on Henry. Kc talked about two clean up days downtown. One in the Spring and one in the Fall.

Economic Development Committee: Christina Torres. The Downtown Development Authority did buy 24 E. Main St. The building with the blue tarp. It will be redeveloped. A Special called meeting of the Historic preservation Commission met to discuss the purchase. Mary Ellen said it will look like it originally did. Kim talked to Maria Lamb. Chandra Asked about what DDA stands for. Andrew explained.

Open Discussion and Public Comment

Kim mentioned one quick thing. She found a contact for Rosenwald School from Georgia State. Really great article from Richard Loeb but not sure about how a water feature would connect. A little library would be a great start. Mary Ellen asked about the corner lot where the building was pulled down. Does the City own that? Kc, confirmed that the city did not. Everyone has big ideas for small spaces.

Kennedy is the communications officer for the Hampton Youth Council. Delanie promotions officer of youth council. Kennedy asked Miss Sandy to get the athletes in the Christmas parade. She has not told Kennedy the exact answer to how many.

Kim was nominated for the Exceptional support person for the year and what she does for the community, based on activities. Delanie says Kim needs to be in the Christmas parade.



Announcements/Important Dates

Next monthly meeting: December 15.

Adjournment. Motion to adjourn. Mary Ellen moved and Veronica seconded. The vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:		
Andrew Simpson Main Street Coordinator		
Minutes Approved by:		
Veronica Henderson Main Street Chair		